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Examiner-Initiated Interview Summary	Application No.	Applicant(s)	
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All Participants:

(1) Alana M. Harris, Ph.D.

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(3) Karen R. Markowicz.

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Date of Interview: 6 June 2007

Time: 2:30pm

Type of Interview:

- ☒ Telephonic
☐ Video Conference
☐ Personal (Copy given to: ☐ Applicant ☐ Applicant's representative)

Exhibit Shown or Demonstrated: ☐ Yes ☐ No

If Yes, provide a brief description:

Part I.

Rejection(s) discussed:

35 USC 102 rejections of record in the first action on the merits mailed October 20, 2006

Claims discussed:

38-42, 45, 46-49 and 51-57

Prior art documents discussed:


Part II.

SUBSTANCE OF INTERVIEW DESCRIBING THE GENERAL NATURE OF WHAT WAS DISCUSSED:

See Continuation Sheet

Part III.

- ☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview directly resulted in the allowance of the application. The examiner will provide a written summary of the substance of the interview in the Notice of Allowability.
☐ It is not necessary for applicant to provide a separate record of the substance of the interview, since the interview did not result in resolution of all issues. A brief summary by the examiner appears in Part II above.


 ALANA M. HARRIS, PH.D.
 PRIMARY EXAMINER
 06/06/2007

(Examiner/SPE Signature)

(Applicant/Applicant's Representative Signature – if appropriate)

Continuation of Substance of Interview including description of the general nature of what was discussed:

Participants discussed the matters of record regarding the afforded priority date of the claims. Applicants' response filed March 20, 2007 duly noted how the same priority issues were clarified in a similar case, 09/720,086 (filed July 23, 2001). The issues of priority were overcome in the '086 case with the submission of declarations and arguments asserting Applicants' possession of claimed sequences. The Examiner informed Applicants' representatives that these documents and corresponding arguments needed to be of record in the instant case. Moreover, participants discussed claim language that would provide claims would be in condition for allowance once the rejections of record were overcome with the submission of declarations and corresponding arguments. Applicants' representatives asserted they would respond accordingly.